Dear Gris, 9/24/79

It has been a long time.

There has been no change in the prices of the books except for the reprint of Photo. Whitewash. Post Mortem was the last.

I don't know how complete the copies of Coup I still have are. It has been years since I looked at them. They are in storage. Before going to that trouble, for reasons that will be clear, I thought I'd best let you know the approximate cost.

As best I recall there are 500 or more pages, legal-sized. The local cost of xeroxing is high. Our cost, with a slow machine that is not inexpensive to use, is about 10¢ a page. This is much less than the local commerical rate but it entials my wife's time to make the copies. So you'd best figure that the cost will be something like $50 or a little more, plus postage, which has gone up. If you decide you want it I'll see what I have and send as much as I have. It may well be all - and should be. But I just don't know.

In October 1975 I had thrombophlebitis in both legs and thigs. The damager was extensive and irreversible. But afterward I built myself up pretty well again only to have arterial disease diagnosed in 1977. It appears to be increasing slowly but steadily. I now get dizzy if I bend over to put oil in a mower. I have difficulty with bending over and looking up, so I don't want to search for the copies, which will require one of both, until I know that you do want them.

Perhaps you can offer some advice I need. I have a student who is helping me. She wants to apply to a foundation for assistance. Have you any suggestions, connection, know-how, etc?

She is a very good and able person. It would be very helpful if something could be worked out.

My FOIA efforts have been quite successful I now have more than 50,000 pages of FBI records relating to the King assassination, more than twice that many relating to JFK's and less from the CIA but including many of its mind-bending files. I'm giving them all to the University of Wisconsin as the result of a request from the state's historical association, made before I was taken ill. (I picked the Stevens Point branch because of the presence of an excellent case authority, bibliographer and exceptionally fine human being, Dr. David Wrone. I've begun the deposit.)

I've been using this student to organize the records and prepare them for going to the University. When she has finished her work all the records will be accessioned here, meaning represented by a card file saying where each is, in a numbered file drawer in a numbered file cabinet. There will be a card fill to all the records in addition, reflecting what I have. I'm keeping all as I receive it and am making a subject file of the more significant records, with copies to keep the originals intact.

I'm getting additional ~~xxxxx~~ records but can't estimate their volume. It will include official indices, some of which I have already and about which I'm saying nothing for the time being because I can t search them for others. Of course with an assistant I could and could get back to Writing. (The litiagtion is interminable and time -consuming!)

All of this is pro bono, of course, and I'm giving it all away, with all my extensive other files, so I think it should qualify for assistance if that can be located. (My only regular income is Social Security but somehow I've managed to swing all of this.)

If you can be of any help it would be great and helpful to others, particularly to the future. Please excuse the typos. I'm in a dizzy period and I can t bend over to correct them. It passes off with a little time and periodic walking. Best to you all, sincerely,